

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 36, 38, and 40-42, as indicated herein. All currently pending claims and status indicators have been reproduced below in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. This listing will replace all previous versions of the claims.

1.-35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently amended) A method for entering data into a computer, comprising:
providing ~~a mount~~ an anchor for an electrical cord, ~~the electrical cord that connects~~
connecting a peripheral input device to a computer;
providing ~~an assembly~~ a housing assembly configured to wind up the electrical cord to
retract slack in the electrical cord as the peripheral input device is moved, wherein the
housing assembly and the anchor are connected via the electrical cord, and wherein the
housing assembly is movable with respect to the anchor; and
~~physically isolating the mount from the assembly such that the mount is connected to~~
~~the assembly via the electrical cord; and~~
providing a fastener affixed to a bottom surface of the anchor to fasten the ~~mount~~
anchor to a work surface.

37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, wherein the act of providing the fastener comprises providing an adhesive.

38. (Currently amended) The method of claim 36, wherein ~~the act of providing~~
~~the mount~~ the housing assembly comprises:
~~providing a swivel to pivot the mount~~ is pivotable with respect to the anchor based on
the position of the peripheral input device.

39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, wherein the act of providing the fastener comprises:
providing the fastener to anchor the electrical cord to one of a desktop and a mouse pad.

40. (Currently amended) The method of claim 36, wherein the act of providing the ~~mount anchor~~ comprises ~~providing a mount to anchor~~ anchoring the electrical cord between the peripheral input device and the computer.

41. (Currently amended) The method of claim 36, wherein the act of providing the housing assembly comprises disposing the housing assembly inside the peripheral input device.

42. (Currently amended) A method for entering data into a computer, comprising:
anchoring an electrical cord to a work surface using a fastener affixed to a bottom surface of an anchor such that the anchor is immovable with respect to the work surface, the electrical cord connecting a mouse to the computer;
positioning the mouse; and
between the mouse and the computer, winding up the electrical cord in ~~an assembly a~~ housing assembly that is ~~physically separate from~~ movable with respect to the anchor, the housing assembly configured to retract slack in the electrical cord as the mouse is positioned.

43. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein anchoring the electrical cord to the work surface includes anchoring the electrical cord to at least one of a desktop and a mouse pad.

44. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes at least one of adhering and fastening an anchor to the work surface.

45. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein positioning the mouse includes positioning a pointer displayed by the computer.

46. (Previously presented) The method of claim 42, wherein retracting slack in the electrical cord includes retracting the slack into at least one of the mouse and an anchor.